



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Kimihiro MAEMURA

Group Art Unit: 2814

Application No.: 10/782,974

Examiner: H. PHAM

Filed: February 23, 2004

Docket No.: 118805

For: NONVOLATILE SEMICONDUCTOR MEMORY DEVICE

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the September 22, 2005 Office Action, reconsideration of the rejection is respectfully requested. Claims 1-6 are pending in this application.

I. Double Patenting

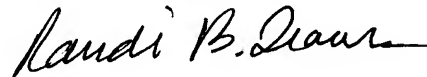
The Office Action rejects claims 1-6 under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-double patenting as being patentable over claims 1-5 of Application No. 10/782,975. Applicants respectfully submit a Terminal Disclaimer. Withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

II. Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance of claims 1-6 are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

Respectfully submitted,



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Terminal Disclaimer

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